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        FORMING MATERIAL OF THE
        SAME

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)(2)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application, which is now entering the U.S. National Stage pursuant to 35 U.S.C. Section 371, hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the Form PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

A.   EPC Application Publication No. 1 217 675 published by European Patent Office on June 26, 2002;

B.   Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2002-198065 published in Japan on July 12, 2002;

C.   Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2001-172582 published in Japan on June 26, 2001;

D.   PCT Patent Publication No. WO 01/51201 published by the WIPO on July 19, 2001;

E.   U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0048702 issued to Yamaura et al. on April 25, 2002;

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F.　　Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2002-100378 published in Japan on April 5, 2002;

G.　　EPC Application Publication No. 1 061 597 published by European Patent Office on December 20, 2000;

H.　　U.S. Patent No. 6,063,463 issued to Schlueter, Jr. et al. on May 16, 2000; and

I.　　Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2003-317733 published in Japan on November 7, 2003.

The above-listed prior art are cited in the International Search Report issued by Japanese Patent Office to the above-identified International Application.

Though these prior art B, C, F, and I cited in the Search Report are not in the English language, the Search Report (a copy thereof enclosed) is written in English and the degree of relevance is indicated therein by way of the markings of Ys and Xs along with the explanation of such markings. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP Section 609, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) for each of these non-English language prior art is satisfied, and an English concise explanation thereof is omitted herein. Nonetheless, an English language abstract is attached to each one of these non-English prior art.

In view of the above, it is therefore respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant arts and consider them.

Accordingly, it is hereby respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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